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~~S C R T SAVIN 2/H/VCK/R389-66~~SPOT RPT FOLLOW-UP NR TWO AND FINAL TO 2/H3/VCK/R385-66,  
DTG 17/0717Z AUG 66.

SHOOT DOWN OF HOSTIL AIRCRAFT BY DRV MIG.

BTWEEN 0659Z AND 0726Z ON 17 AUG 66, DRV TACTICAL VOIC  
FACILITIES RFLCTD AN AIR ENGAGEMNT BETWEEN FOUR DRV MIGS AND  
FOUR HOSTIL AIRCRAFT WHPVE RESULTD IN TH SHOOT DOWN OF  
ON OF TH HOSTILS.AT 0659Z FOUR HANOI/GIA LAM BASED MIGS WERE NOTD ON A  
DEFENSIV PATROL AST OF HANOI. TH HOSTIL AIRCRAFT  
WERE INITIALLY RFLCTD AT 0701Z IN TH VICINITY OF BAC NINH  
( 21-11N 106-04E) AT AN ALTITUDE OF 6560 FT. AT 0701Z THE  
HANOI/GIA LAM CONTROLLER DIRCTD TH MIGS TO GO TO BAC NINH AND  
WORK. AT 0702Z ON MIG PILOT REPORTD THAT H COULD SEE TH  
ENEMY WHICH WER APPROXIMATELY 2.7 NMS AHAD. TH CONTROLLER  
INSTRUCTD TH MIGS TO PROTCT TH ROAD BELOW AND ATTACK THE  
ENMY IF THY APPROACHD. TH MIGS WERE INSTRUCTD TO WATCH  
FOR HOSTILS AND DECIDE ON TH BEST POSITION FOR ATTACK. AT  
0705Z ON MIG WAS NOTD MAKING AN UNSUCCESSFUL PASS ATTH  
HOSTIL AIRCRAFT. TH MIGS CONTINUED TO PROTCT AGAINST TH  
HOSTILES AND AT 0708Z WER NOTD IN THE VICINITY OF HANOI/GIA LAM  
AIRFIELD AT AN ALTITUDE OF 12,120 FT.AT 0712Z TH CONTROLLER INSTRUCTD TH MIGS THAT TH  
HOSTILS WERE AGAIN CROSSING INTO TH AREA WHICMWAS TO BE  
PROTCTED AND ORDERD THE MIGS TO ATTACK. TH POSITION OF TH  
HOSTILES WAS 5.5 NMS AWAY. ON MIG ATTACKED AT 0713Z AND AFTER  
HIS PASS TH CONTROLLER REPORTED QUOT TH TARGET FELL WHIL  
YOU WERE FIRING AT TH TARGTS UNQUOT. TH MIGS CONTINUED  
THEIR DEFENSIV PATROL AND WORKED THEIR WAY BACK TO HANOI/GIA LAM  
WHRE THEY WERE LAST NOTD PREPARING TO LAND AT 0126Z.

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~~TH MICROPHONE CHARACTERISTICS INDICATS THAT TH REACTING  
AIRCRAFT WERE PROBABLY MIG-17'S~~

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